## CALIFORNIA POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION COMMISSION

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Dear Chair Welinsky and Commissioners:

It is with mixed emotions that I hereby officially inform you that I am resigning as your executive director and will leave the position effective April 1, 2004.

As you know, I took the position with the expectation that it would be short term. The primary goals were to prevent the destruction of CPEC and get things moving in a positive direction. Those goals have been achieved – the budget is stable and there is a framework for future success. As noted in our list of <u>Accomplishments for 2003</u>, we did not let budget reductions prevent us from fulfilling key responsibilities.

The commute and weeks away from home have been taking an increasing toll on the well being of my family. As passionate as I am about the vitality of CPEC and the challenges facing education in California, I am even more passionate about doing what is best for my family. It is time to go home.

I am pleased to have had the opportunity to serve you and the people of California. There is no finer calling than to be involved with creating opportunities for individuals to succeed in life through having the opportunity to obtain a meaningful education.

During the next 30 days, I will make sure: the transition to interim leadership is as smooth as possible; the strategic planning process moves forward; and all resources, including the affiliation with Ogilvy, are used to strengthen the agency's abilities to achieve its goals.

You can count on me to always be supportive of CPEC and the critical role it plays in providing educational opportunity for Californians. I will certainly continue to be an advocate for CPEC having the structure and resources necessary to fulfill its vital responsibilities.

Best regards,

Robert L. Moore